5-(S)-Acetamidomethyl-3-[4'-(3''-pyridylamino)carbonyl-3'-fluorophenyl]-oxazolidine-2-one and the provisionally elected aryl oxazolidinone used in the method of claim 44 is 5-(S)-azidomethyl-3-[4'-*tert*-butoxycarbonyl-3'-fluorophenyl]-oxazolidine-2-one. The provisionally elected attachment of the aryl oxazolidinone to the solid support is by an iminophosphorane.

## CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that pending claims 44-48 are in condition for allowance, which action is requested. Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned **"Version with markings to show changes made."**

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In the claims, please cancel Claims 1-6 and 49-54

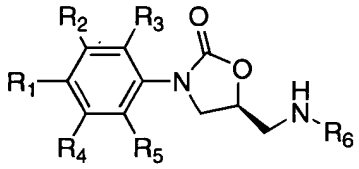
Please amend claim 44 as follows.

44. A method of preparing [the] combinatorial libraries of compounds of the formula Ib [according to claim 17], comprising the steps of:

a) attaching a plurality of aryl oxazolidinones to a plurality of solid supports;

b) functionalizing the 4-position of the aryl groups of the attached oxazolidinones; and, optionally,

c) removing the oxazolidinones from the solid supports; wherein compounds of formula Ib have the structure:

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wherein $R_2$, $R_3$, $R_4$ and $R_5$ are, independently, hydrogen alkyl, heteroalkyl, heteroaryl or an electron withdrawing group;

$R_6$ is acyl or sulfonyl; and

$R_1$ is one of the following functional groups:

$C(O)NR_7R_8$, wherein $R_7$ and $R_8$ are, independently, hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;

$C(O)OR_9$, wherein $R_9$ is hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;

$C(O)R_{10}$, wherein $R_{10}$ is hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;

$SR_{11}$, wherein $R_{11}$ is hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;

$S(O)_2R_{11}$, wherein $R_{11}$ is hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;

$S(O)R_{11}$, wherein $R_{11}$ is hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;

$NR_{12}R_{13}$, wherein $R_{12}$ and $R_{13}$ are, independently, hydrogen, acyl, sulfonyl, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl or heteroaryl;

2-oxazolyl, wherein $R_{14}$ is at the 4-position and $R_{15}$ is at the 5-position of the oxazolyl, and wherein $R_{14}$ and $R_{15}$ are, independently, hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl or an

electron withdrawing group;

2-aminothiazolyl, wherein $R_{16}$ is at the 4-position and $R_{17}$ is at the 5-position of the thiazole, and wherein $R_{16}$ and $R_{17}$, are, independently, hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl or an electron withdrawing group; and,

$CH_2NR_{18}R_{19}$, wherein $R_{18}$ and $R_{19}$ are, independently, hydrogen, alkyl, heteroalkyl, aryl, heteroaryl, acyl or sulfonyl.